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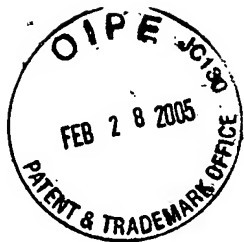
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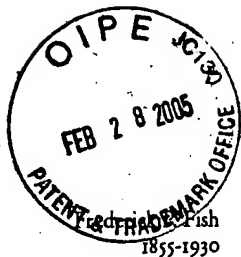
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The prior application is assigned of record to Epix Medical, Inc.,
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Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date
under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

	<u>Pages</u>
Specification	119
Claims	38
Abstract	1
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Drawing(s)	9

Enclosures:

- Preliminary amendment, 24 pages.
- Information disclosure statement, 1 page.
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- Postcard.

This application is a divisional of and claims priority to U.S. Application No.
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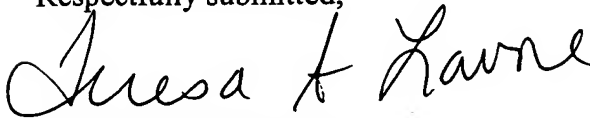
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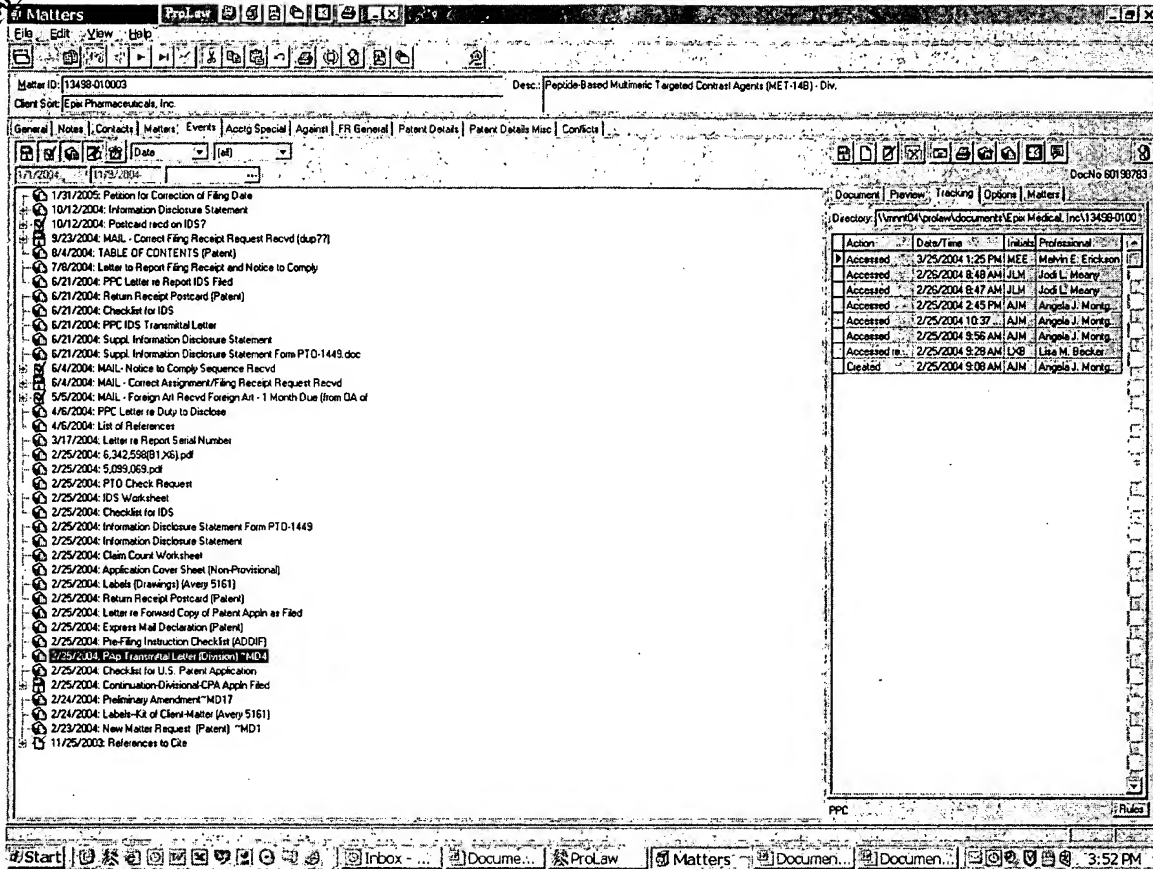
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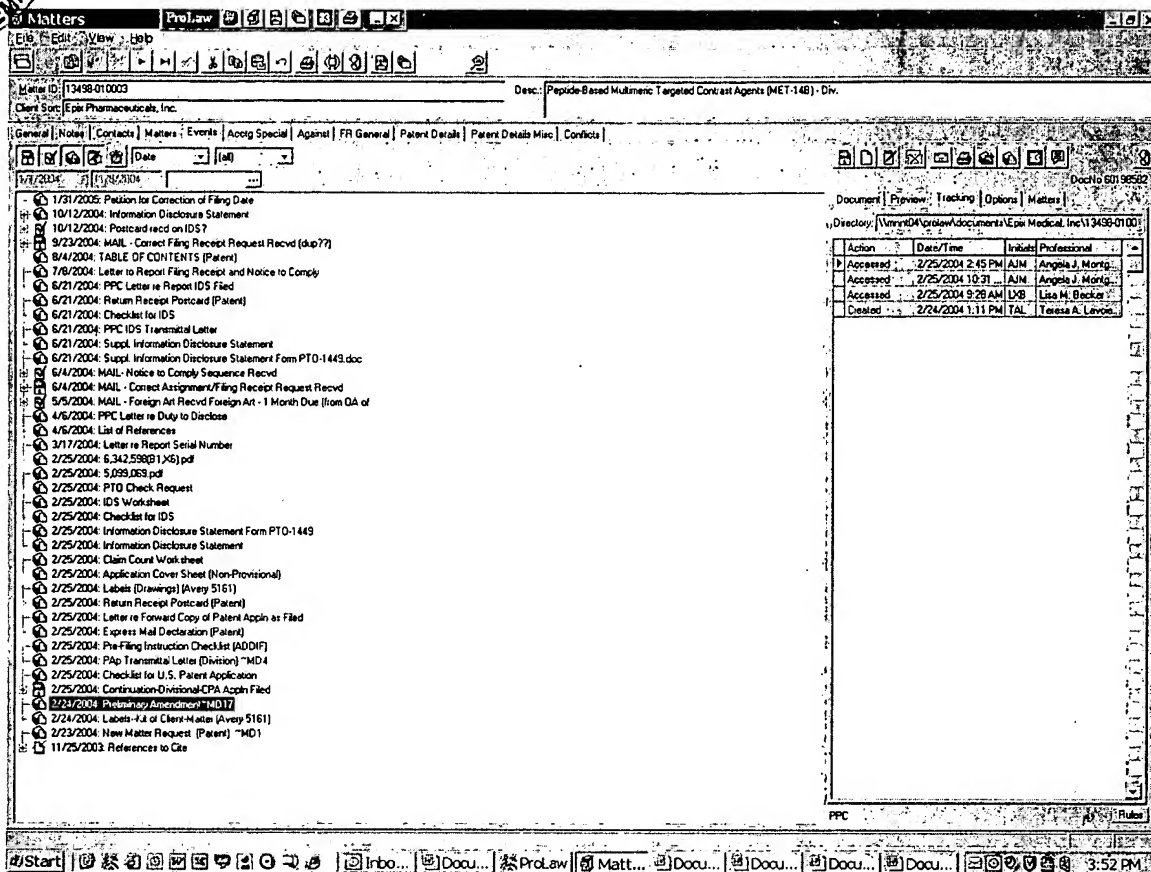
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Applicant submits the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449.

Under 35 USC §120, this application relies on the earlier filing date of application serial number 10/209,183, filed on July 30, 2002. The references were submitted to and/or cited by the Office in the prior application and, therefore, are not provided in this application.

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